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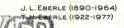
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Re: U.S. Ferto Corp. - Sanpete County

Dear Mr. Daniels:

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I am a landowner of real property at the mouth of Dry Creek Canyon in Milburn, Sanpete County, Utah. U.S. Ferto is "operating" a phosphate mine in that canyon.

Please forward to me a copy of the Mining and Reclamation Plan for that mine, together with all other documents which would constitute the operating plan which the company has submitted to the Manti-LaSal National Forest and to the Department of Natural Resources. I have enclosed herewith our firm check to cover costs of reproducing the same in an amount not to exceed \$50.00. In the event the costs are in excess of \$50.00, I will immediately forward the same to you pursuant to your request.

I do not understand how U.S. Ferto can operate its mine without approval of its Mining and Reclamation Plan by both your office and the Forest Supervisor's office of the Manti-LaSal National Forest. U.S. Ferto has been operating its mine and removing material from that mine during 1978 and 1979.

I would appreciate some response from your office as to how a mine operator can operate without final approval of its plan. Thank you for your assistance.

Yours very truly,

James R. Gillespie

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